

Senate District G

James Della Silva, Democrat



DATE OF BIRTH: August 5, 1954

PLACE OF BIRTH: Tooele Ordnance Depot
Tooele, Utah

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LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 18 years, 9 months
Wasilla 1994-2002
Anchorage 1983-1994

EDUCATION:
St. Louis High School (Honolulu, Hawaii), 1973; Southeast
Signal School, U.S. Army, 1972-1973; High Voltage Acv/DC
Micro Electronics, 1978-1980; Weber State Collage, 1976, 1980;
University Alaska Anchorage, 1990-1995.

MILITARY SERVICE:
U.S. Army, 1972-1975, 1980-1982, E4, National Defense Medal,
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, U.S Army Letter Of
Commendation.

SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:

Boy Scouts Of America, Eagle Scout; Air Force Association
President, Wastach Chapter, Utah Air Force Association.

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Hunting, fishing, camping, helping children, gold mining.

STATEMENT:

The Legislators have done nothing to address issues that are important to the state. We are coming to a point in time that we must bring our State Financial house in order. We can no longer use the Budget Reserve to balance spending needs of our Great state. The last legislative session proved that most of our elected officials are not willing or able to bring some kind of order to our budget. We have experienced a taste of what it will be like when the reserve is gone. By the closing of parks and road maintenance to some parts of the state this will be the rule when we use up the all of the Budget Reserve Fund.

There are many ways we can bring some order to the budget. But budget cutting has gone to far. By cutting the Budget more we will risk someone's life or health this is not a choice for me. I will not use the Permanent Fund to Balance the State Budget yet to many people depend on it to make it through the year. It means Clothes for the kids, food, or pay bills, to live warmly in winter. I know I am one of those that depend on it for help in my families needs.

We must impose some kind of tax period. each has faults but we must decide!

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